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## Just Stopping By for a Little Visit

*Mayor Frank Jordan stopped by for a recent visit with (l-r) Fay Henderson, James Jenkins, Victoria Gray, Tony Lincoln and Ruth Jackson at the Family Support Center in Visitacion Valley.*

*Mayor Jordan with (l-r) Ethel Brigham, Unique Fuller and Victoria Gray.*

## Local Bike Beat Cop Is a Valley Favorite

Always helpful, always courteous, and always going beyond the call of duty, Visitacion Valley's own beat Officer Jaime Ongpin recently received the well-deserved honor of the monthly "My Favorite Cop" award. A 13-year veteran of the San Francisco Police Department, the smiling bike-beat policeman can usually be seen patrolling streets around the valley as he often stops to chat with many of the neighbors he now knows as friends.

Ongpin earned the special award after being nominated by senior citizen members of the "Over 55 Club," who have grown quite fond of the helpful officer who attends their meetings and is always ready-and-willing to assist when needed.

## Unknown Fumes Cancel Classes At Wilson High

Nobody knew what caused the horrible gas that sent some Wilson High School students and staff to the hospital September 22, but they'll surely remember the burning noses, watering eyes and nausea resulting from the unknown source.

Paramedics treated many students in the school's parking lot after the fumes started sickening the building's inhbitants just before 10 a.m. that Wednesday morning. Many were coughing and complaining of shortness of breath as ambulances arrived and soon transported 31 severe cases to local hospitals. Fortunately, all were soon released.

Classes were canceled that day as the S.F. Fire Department conducted an investigation to determine the origin of the gas but eventually came up clueless. Wilson remained closed the following day as school officials opted to be cautious.

## Consumer Advice for Chinese Speaking Listeners

Cantonese-speaking Bay Area residents can now air their consumer complaints on the radio for the first time on a call-in show launched September 15 by Consumer Action (CA) and Sinocast.

San Francisco-based Sinocast, a private membership radio service started in 1977 and operated by Sino Broadcasting Company, opearates the only station in the United States with Chinese-language programs on both radio and television reaching an estimasted 80,000 listeners in the Bay Area.

"The show will provide a much needed place for the Chinese community to voice their concerns," said CA Outreach Specilist Kathy Li, host of the new Consumer Voices show, which airs every Monday at 12:30 p.m., focusing on such issues as bilingual social services, telephone issues, telemarketing, retail problems, banking and credit issues, and frauds and scams.

Charles Chan, general manager of Sinocast, said he hopes the show will help the Bay Area Chinese community of about 500,000 people become more aware of the social services available to them so they can better protect themselves as consumers.

"With a live program, we can provide a lot of information," explained Chan. "But we can also motivate people to act; give them a little push."

Li said she hopes to nurture the local Chinese community to "assert their rights and responsibilities as consumers."

## Bayview Opera Features VVCC Staff Member

Fulfilling a childhood dream, Cassandra Brown of the Visitacion Valley Community Center got a well-deserved opportunity to display her singing talent in September when City College's City Summer Opera Program held its presentation of "Lost in Stars" at the Bayview Opera House.

Performing in her first production role, a musical tragedy based on the novel Cry the Beloved Country, the 28-year-old Brown, an avid singer since the age of ten, entered last year's CCSF Starmaker competition after completing a voice class. She then landed the part of Linda in "Lost in Stars," a musical adaptation of a South African man's struggle with the restraints of apartheid.

Offering programs in theater, music and visual arts aimed particularly at young people, the Bayview Opera House has long been a neighborhood cultural center serving San Francisco's southeast neighborhoods.

## Chinatown Set For Moon Festival

San Francisco's Asian American community is geared to celebrate the traditional Autumn Moon Fesival with delectable moon cakes and a street fair in the heart of Chinatown on Saturday and Sunday, October 2-3 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., replete with artists in traditional garments, musicians, craftspeople, live dancers, Kung-Fu martial artists and plenty of food.

Highlights of the street fair, presented by the Chinatown Merchants Association and the Asian Business League of San Francisco, will include the contemporary music and dance of the Kulintang Art Group, the mystic magic of Jade, and the dynamic multi-talented Step by Step. Stage performers will include an Asian multicultural mix of Japanese taiko drummers, Indonisian dancers, pole-climbing lion dancers, and the St. Mary's Drum and Bell Corps. Rare appearances by the famous dragon will climax celebrations at 5:30 p.m. both days.

A beautiful commemorative Moon Festival souvenir poster will be available with an updated version of the S.F. Chinatown guide containing a historical walking tour, street map, and shopping and dining tips.

Drawing thousands of onlookers to the area in 1992, festival organizers have this year extended the street fair another block in anticipation of larger crowds.

Chinatown Merchants Association this year becomes a first-time recipient of a major grant from the Grants for the Arts of the City's Hotel Tax Fund. Corporate sponsors of the fair include: AT&T, Bank of America, MCI and QualMed Plans for Health.

More information on festivities is available from the Chinatown Merchants Association at 982-6306.

## Carjacking and Premises Invasion Laws Await Governor's Approval

To enhance public safety and participation, State lawmakers approved and sent to Governor Wilson legislation on carjacking, premise invasion, cars left for sale, child pornography and open meeting laws, all written by Assemblyman John Burton.

"These measures were introduced in part to respond to the concerns of San Francisco residents," explained Burton.

### ANTI-CARJACKING

To prevent senseless and violent attacks on motorists, a measure was passed making carjacking a criminal offense in California, punishable by up to nine years in state prison. It also provides sentence enhancements for use of weapons or the infliction of bodily harm in a carjacking.

### PREMISES INVASION

In response to business and home invasion crimes in the Sunset, Richmond and Central police districts in San Francisco, a new measure provides stringent penalties for premises invasions, specifying in part that it is a crime for a person, acting with two or more other persons, to enter a commercial or residential structure by force or violence against the will of the occupants with the intent to intimidate or harm.

### CARS LEFT FOR SALE

Putting an end to unnecessary traffic and residential access problems, a measure co-authored by Senator Quentin Kopp and sponsored by the City and County of San Francisco was approved to tow cars left for sale. While a local ordinance permits cars with "for sale" signs to be ticketed, it doesn't authorize their towing. State cities and counties could now be authorized to tow parked vehicles when it appears their primary purpose at a location is to advertise their sale.

### OPEN MEETING LAWS

To help "break the back of the secrecy lobby," approved measures by Assemblyman Burton and Senator Kopp will strengthen open meeting laws as prescribed by the Brown Act. Among their components, they prohibit actions by secret ballot, and redefine the term "legislative body" to ensure standing committees hold open and public meetings. In addition, the measures work to foster public participation by banning out-of-town retreats of local elected bodies and permitting recording of open and public meetings by any person.

### ANTI-CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Strengthening penalties for use of child pornography prior or during a sexual offense, a measure calling for a sentence enhancement of up to three years to be served in addition to punishments for sexual offenses is identical to a law signed by the Governor last year, but unfortunately double-joined to a vetoed measure rendering it ineffective.

## Line Dancing and Hispanic Fiesta at Rodeo

Country line dancing will be an added feature to the 49th Grand National Rodeo, Horse and Stock Show coming October 29 through November 7 at the Cow Palace. Hispanic Fiesta, one of the events most colorful, exciting events, will be held October 31 at 1:30 p.m.

Mike and Norene Gural will present their dancing in the lobby of the Cow Palace for one hour prior to the Rodeo performances, which will also be heading the opening night Kick Off Dance after the first night's show featuring the California Cowboys.

Sounds of Hispanic music will include a 20-piece band greeting joining strolling mariachis in the arena, capturing early California heritage and traditions before the October 31 show, which will begin with a mock bull fight performance featuring a matador accedited in both Mexico and Spain.

The Grand National will feature 650 rodeo participants, more than 1,000 horses and over 2,500 beef cattle, swine and sheep. It is the largest combined show of its type in the United States where cowboys from throughout the country have their final opportunity to compete prior to the National Finals Rodeo.

Rodeo fans will need only to glance towards the Copenhagen/Skoal Pro Rodeo Scoreboard, a state-of-the-art scoreboard offering stunning capabilities and a format designed exclusively for rodeo. One of two boards criss-crossing the country, it functions as a clock for the timed events, a scoreboard for roughstock events, and a reminder of current and overall leaders.

Tickets and information may be obtained by contacting the Cow Palace Ticket Office at 469-6065 or through any Bass ticket outlet.

## Get Together, Stick Together, Work Together

*from "A View from the Towers" September 1993*

Remember the living conditions at Geneva Towers before July 1991? Remember the non-professional security staff? Remember the floor representatives' meetings the management did not attend?

Remember people hanging out in the lobby areas day and night? We were afraid to walk through the lobbies of both the A and B buildings. Many problems were overlooked: shootings and killings; loud music; trespasing; bicycles and shopping carts thrown off the balconies; dead bodies on the stairwells and on the playgrounds; drug deals occuring in the hallways, laundry rooms and lobbies. For almost one year, some floors had no washing machines and clothes dryers.

Please think back to those scary times. We did not deserve to live and raise our children and grandchildren in that frightening tmosphere. Before July 1991, Geneva Towers was totally mismanaged.

Today, some tenants complain about harassment and illegal evictions. But where were those same tenants who now complain years ago when we suffered so much? If they were so concerned about the residents and their welfare, why did they not come forward years ago?

Today, people are not allowed to hang out in the lobbies. Security has definitely improved, and tenants are more safe. Security actively walks around the complex and the hallways. Management has attended every floor reps meeting.

Management has been available to talk with tenants about their problems and concerns. Since 1991, we have seen improvements in landscaping, the garage areas and the playground.

We still have problems. But they are nothing compared to the way conditions were before 1991. These problems began 20 years ago, not two years ago as some of the tenants have claimed. In order to solve some of the o;d problems, we need stong rules and regulations to prevent loitering, trespassing, drug dealings and muggings.

We need the help and cooperation of all the residents of Geneva Towers. Things will only get better if we get together, stick together and work together.

If you have any comments or suggestions, please send them in writing to Lisa Johnson, Resident Council Office, 222 Schwerin St., No. 216, San Francisco, CA 94134.

## Stringent Gun Control Laws are Needed

*By Assemblyman John Burton*

Not a day goes by without news of someone getting shot and killed by a gun toting civilian. The NRA and other pro gun groups argue that guns don't kill people, but people kill people. I content that bullets fired from guns kill people, and the greater the ammunition capacity of a weapon, the more people who are at risk.

To ensure public safety, California's gun control laws must be strengthened. The longer we wait, the more time we've wasted, and the more innocent lives which have been lost.

Gun advocates argue that limiting firepower would infringe upon their sporting abilities. That's ludicrous. We're talking about public safety verses the ability for sportsman and women to plink without reloading.

California law restricts the firepower of shotguns used for hunting. For most species, it limits the times that a hunter can shoot at its prey to three consecutive rounds. Semi-automatic weapons, manufactured for the sole purpose of releasing multiple rounds very quickly, are simply not necessary.

Only one new weapon has been added to California's list of banned weapons since its established in 1989 either by the Legislature or the Attorney General. Right now, Californians can purchase look-alikes--weapons just look alike those on California,s list but with different names--without any restrictions.

It would be foolish to believe we can curb the use of firearms and abolish violence in society simply through legislation. But we cannot sit back and expect semi-automatic assault weapons to go away. The trade-off between public safety verses the ability to plink is an issue which deserves our immediate attention.

## Saturdays at the Randall Museum

On a spectacular hillside overlooking the City and the Bay, the Randall Museum is a place where children of all ages discover and create through exciting hands-on programs in the arts, sciences and natural environment.

Limited October Saturday classes start at 1 p.m. with sign-ups beginning at 12:30 p.m. Parking is free and children under eight should be accompanied by an adult. Call 554-9600 for more information.

*October 2: Foam Core Prints lets you engrave your own design in foam core and print it in multiple colors. $4 per person.

*October 9: In Microscopic Safari, come peer through the museum's microscopes and discover bizarre creatures unseen to the naked eye. $3 per person.

*October 16: Handmade Gliders features the museums model airplane club showing how to build a simple wooden model airplane that glides. $3 per person.

*October 23: Monster Masks is perfect for trick or treat, showing how to cut and fold tagboard and paper to form monstrous features on a magnificent mask. $4 per person.

And don't forget the free animal talk every Saturday at 2:15 p.m. and the model railroad exhibit every second and fourth Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m.

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## Psychology Has a New Feeling at Exploratorium

For thousands of years, people have pondered the mystery of human behavior. Now, the Exploratorium has an exciting new exhibition open to the public from October 7 through January 2. Visitors can experience, touch and examine psychology ehile exploring more than a century of research at Psychology: Understanding Ourselves, Understanding Each Other.

Both young and old will enjoy a pitch black geodesic dome which can only be passed through using a sense of touch where rarely exposed aspects of perception and psychology are brought forth with the elimination of vision.

Until November 19, the $8 admission is half price on Tuesday through Friday afternoons and evenings. Call 561-0362 for information and advanced reservations.

## Nine Facts That Can Change Your Life

from pages of UC Berkeley Wellness Letter

*Aluminum and Alzheimer's: Should you throw out your aluminum cookware and your aluminum foil, avoid antacid tablets containing aluminum, refuse to drink a beverage from an aluminum can and discontinue using antiperspirants? There is no evidence that the levels of aluminum consumed from the usual sources are harmful in any way, let alone that they increase the risk of Alzheimer's.

*Right Way to Warm Up: It is a crisp winter day, and before you begin your morning jog you lean against your favorite tree to begin your stretching. This is the way you always start off, and you're confident it's the right way. Well, you're wrong. Athletes and doctors are now convinced that stretching cold muscles, especially on a cold day, can lead to injuries. The best way to prepare for jogging, bicycling, squash or any other exercise is to warm up the muscles gently, and after that do your stretches.

*Little Problems, Big Stress: The greatest toll from stress may come not from a divorce, the loss of a job, and other major traumatic changes or misfortunes, but from the minor yet frequent annoyances we experience daily - getting stuck in traffic, gaining a few pounds, or having an arguement at work. Relatively unimportant hassles often have a greater effect on health - increasing risk of high blood pressure, asthma attacks, and possibly even chest pains - than do larger-scale traumas in life. Such were the findings of a study conducted by Richard Lazarus and collegues at the University of California at Berkeley. What is fascinating and encouraging about these findings is that they suggest that although hassles and stress are unavoidable parts of daily life, we can do something about them and the adverse effects they have on health.

*A Vitamin for Cancer: After years of hearing how certain foods and food additives can contribute to the development of cancer, it is a relief to learn that certain vitamins appear to offer protection against cancer. Dozens of studies have now shown that beta carotene, which the body converts into vitamin A, may inhibit the development of cancer and cataracts, as well as enhance the immune system. The best source of beta carotene are orange and yellow fruits and vegetables, and leafy greens - including sweet potatoes, carrots, dandelion greens, kale, spinach, mango, winter squash and broccoli.

*The Best Sit-up: Unfortunately, sit-ups won't reduce observable fat around the waist, but they will strengthen abdominal muscles, thus preventing or alleviating back problems. Yet many people do sit-ups improperly. The safest, most effective way to do a sit-up is to lie on your back, keeping knees bent. Contract the abdominal muscles and press the lower back into the floor, which will cause the upper body to lift up. It is necessary to come up only to a 30 to 45 degree angle. The safest arm position is to cross them behind the head with the hands placed on the opposite shoulders.

*Eat Soup to lose Weight: Soup can play a significant role in a weight loss program, according to researchers at the University of Pennsylvania. They found that eating soup at the start of a meal slows the rate of eating and fills the stomach, which signals the brain to curtail appetite.

*Accentuate the Positive: What if a person could eliminate all the negative experiences in his life? Would he be free of stress? According to researchers at the University of California at Berkeley, the answer is no. The researchers found that the presence of positive factors in life, rather than merely a lack of negative factors, was most important in reducing stress, and that too much emphasis has been given to eliminating negative experiences and not enough to teaching people to develop positive aspects in life.

*The Lean Green Nutrition Machine: Yes, there is such a thing as health food, and its name is broccoli. One serving of fresh broccoli (one cup, chopped) gives you about 90 percent of your normal daily reqirement of vitamin A (in the form of beta carotene), 200 percent of vitamin C, six percent of niacin, ten percent of calcium, ten percent of thiamin, ten percent of phospherus and eight percent of iron. It is also rich in potassium nd has five grams of protein. One serving provides about 25 percent of your daily fiber needs - a critical area in which the American diet is usually deficient. Moreover, studies have found that broccoli is one of the vegetables that may protect against certain forms of cancer. All this and only 45 calories.

*Never Too Late to Get Fit: Over 50 doesn't mean over the hill, even for people who have never exercised regularly. Despite years of sedentary living, it is still possible to become physically ill, according to Dr. Fred W. Kasch, director of the Exercise Physiology Laboratory at San Diego State University. In a study of three groups of men between the ages of 45 and 55, Dr. Kasch found that men who had rarely exercised before could achieve levels of fitness almost equal to those of their counterparts who had exercised regularly for ten years.

**SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING COMMISSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY EXPANSION ON TUNNEL AVENUE**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**October 5, 1993 at 7 p.m.**
**Korean Church, 126 Lathrop Ave.**
**(near Tunnel Ave.) San Francisco**
**Discussion of consultant selection.**
**For Further information: 558-6319**

## Farwell to Mom

Valley neighbors and community center staff threw a splendid Friday afternoon bash September 24 complete with fried chicken, yams and tea cakes for outgoing VVCC member Janell Phillips, a 13-year VVCC veteran more affectionately known to many friends and co-workers simply as "Mom."

### *Mom*

The word mom is not one that is uttered without meaning
To you this word belongs, for the strong and caring ways you display to all
Your presence will be missed
But your happiness and good health is all we wish
Mom, it won't be the same without your ham, cabbage, tea cakes and yams
So, I guess that means there will have to be days to visit - just for you, me and my four pans (I don't want just a little bit... I want a lot!)
Mom, you brighten our days when they are gloomy
You have warmed many hearts when the time of hopelessness and despair was lurking around the corner
Your dwelling space in this small hole has been a place of comfort for everyone
The sweetness you constantly give makes us feel at home
There are only two very special people in my life I call mom
My grandma and you, Ms. Phillips - "Mom"

*Visitacion Valley Community Center Staff*
*written by Cassandra Brown*
*September 24, 1993*

# Little Hollywood Reports

*By Don Bertone*

The Little Hollywood reorganization is proceeding "full steam ahead!!!" We now have a board of directors and have already drafted by-laws foor our formation as a non-profit corporation. Cynthia Rowland, from the Law Offices of Howard, Rice, Nemerovski, Canady, Robertson and Falk is our attorney for this process.

Our new officers are: Don Bertone, president; Joan Mankin, vice-president; and Anne Ma, secretary-treasurer. Hilliard Terry, Susan Fassell and Kam Ma serve with us on the board of directors. If you would like to be on the board, please let us know.

Nancy Lee from Asemblyman John Burton's office has accepted our invitation to the next meeting.

Dail Miller from NORCAL gave us an update on the latest garbage company plans and will be meeting with us again on a regular basis to find out how they can help out on neighborhood issues.

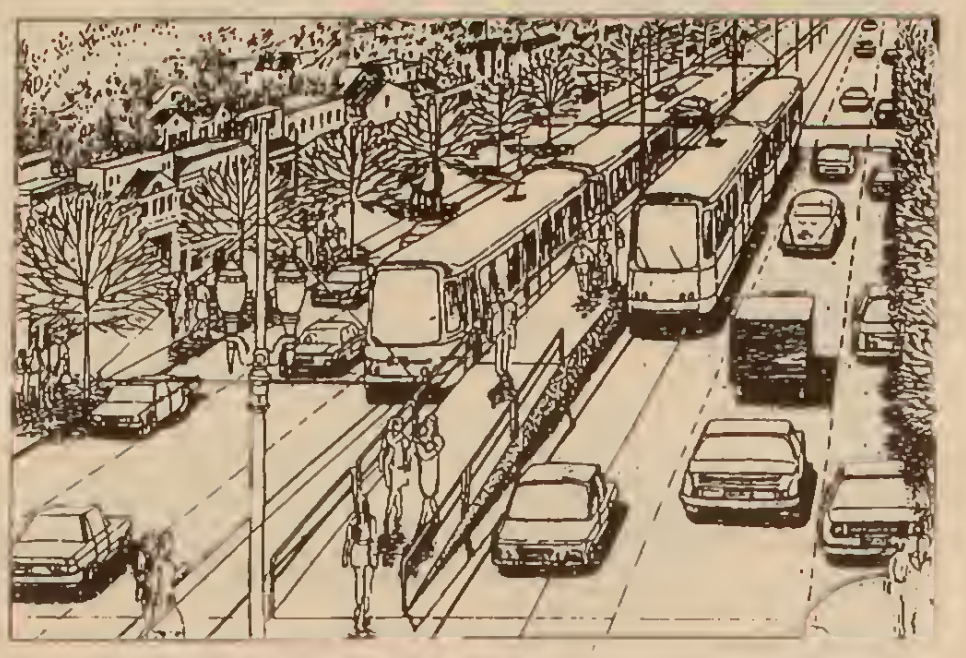
The sound wall along the freeway is finally being built, so it looks like those neighbors in that area are finally going to get some relief from the car and truck noise.

The Giants hired a traffic consultant to help deal with ballgame traffic and parking problems. We met with him and explained what we'd like to see done, and have already seen some results. Police were patrolling the neighborhood after a game and regulating traffic. We still have a long way to go, but at least it was a good start.

I have a standing invitation to the police to attend our meetings. We will have Captain Timothy Hettrich from Potrero Station stopping by.

Construction will begin soon at San Francisco Executive Park, so get your job applications into the Visitacion Valley Community Center now!

The Little Hollywood Association meets on the second Tuesday of every month, 7 p.m., at the Korean Presbyterian Church at 120 Lathrop Ave. The next meeting is October 12. Everyone in Visitacion Valley is invited to attend our meetings because most of the issues on our agenda affect everyone around here. For more information, call 467-9669. Our Fax number is 468-9669. For other events, call the Repeater BBS at 468-9669,,22. Special interests or problems can always be brought up at the meetings. Guest speakers are always invited to attend. This is your forum, so make it work. As always, there is always plenty of free parking right outside the door.



*Third St. of the future could see a light rail system with station stops featuring high 12 foot-wide center-loading platforms every few blocks. Three lanes of traffic would still flow in either direction on the 100 foot-wide boulevard with parking prohibited just at the stops.*

*Courtesy of Muni Bayshore Project Team*

## Muni Bayshor Corridor Study in Final Stages

Consultants to Muni will present their recommendations on light rail and other proposed transit improvements in the Bayshore Corridor at a community meeting to be held Wednesday, October 13, 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the Southeast Community Facility, 1800 Oakdale Ave.

This meeting will be the last in a series of neighborhood discussins with Muni and the consultant team headed by Wilbur Smith Associates which has been evaluating a number of transit alternatives to serve the needs of residents and businesses in the Bayview, Hunters Point, Visitacion Valley, Little Hollywood and Potrero Hill communities. Since the beginning of the year-long study, the team has sought views from the public, encouraging full participation of affected communities in setting project goals and evaluating various alternatives that have emerged.

At the October 13 meeting, consultants will share their views on the alternatives which best meet the project's goals and objectives, evaluate pluses and minuses in using federal funds for project implementation and identify companion activities enhancing opportunities for significant economic development of the area being served.

"Not only will the consultant report detail recommendations by the team, it will also document the public participation process during the course of the study and the views that have been expressed by interested residents and business owners directly affected by the proposed changes," explained Sue Stropes, Muni's project manager for the Bayshore Corridor Study, in emphasizing the importance of the meeting. "This is the last scheduled opportunity before the report is submitted to the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission and the San Francisco County Transportation Authority for those views to be heard, and we urge people to attend."

Both the Bayshore and Geary corridors have been identified by the City as top priority candidates for rail transit and $190 million of funds from revenue generated by the half-cent sales tax approved in 1989 by local voters to address critical transportation issues.

Muni service to the Southeast Community Facility includes lines 15, 23,24,44 and 54. Parking facilities will also be available for persons with disabilities.

## And That Name is....

## GREYHOUND

"Go Greyhound, and leave the driving to us!" is a slogan which has inspired just about everyone to board a bus to somewhere at some point in our lives. Hanging even in the most remote of locations, the well recognized sign picturing the trademark dog has given millions of riders confidence of available comfortable transportation at reasonable rates.

Origins of the famous bus company go back to 1914 in Minnesota when a young Swedish miner named Carl Wickman tried unsuccessfully to open a Hupmobile auto dealership. Unable to sell his first car, he instead used it to transport miners over four miles of unpaved roads between the small towns of Hibbing and Alice. Wickman charged a quarter for a round-trip ride and 15 cents for one-way.

Within two years, the popularity of his service allowed the him to add four additional vehicles operated by four new drivers. New routes were added, including a rugged 90-mile passage between Hibbing and Duluth, which was traversed by vehicles lengthened to carry up to a dozen passengers.

With dusty conditions of dirt roads, the slim, altered cars motoring swiftly along rural roads were painted a battleship grey, which an inn-keeper on one route thought resembled greyhounds, a name the young company immediately began to use. Wickman soon coined the slogan: "Ride the Greyhounds!"

Severe Minnesota winters saw drivers equipped with blocks and tackle with snow shovels, while their shivering passengers were provided with lap robes and hot bricks for their feet.

With better vehicles and increased routed Greyhound soon grew to become the world's largest inter-city passenger carrier. In San Francisco, routes begin and end at the spacious Trans-Bay Terminal located at First and Mission Sts.

## Five Years Ago in the Grapevine

## OCTOBER 1988

•Businessmen who purchased four acres of property from the Gatti family made plans to break ground on a large scale home construction project. Blueprinted to rise on the lot were 54 three-bedroom houses designed to meet the needs of middle-class families wanting to live in the area.

•Furious, frightened and frustrated Sunnydale residents gathered at a September 13 meeting of their tenants' association to discuss drug-induced violence they claim plagues the housing project 24 hours a day.

•San Francisco Superintendent of Schools Ramon Cortines announced plans to meet with parents at Visitacion Valley Elementary School to speak with them about the public school system.

•Plans to put 46 houses with rear live-in units on Hester Ave. and Bayshore Blvd were discussed at a September meeting of the Little Hollywood Improvement Association.

•Visitacion Valley Senior Center began offering free art classes with Tamara Vargas, a prizewinning artist at the 1987 San Francisco Fair.

•Visitacion Valley Grapevine became one of 11 founding members in the San Francisco Neighborhood Newspaper Association, a group of district journals whose representatives met for enlightening discussions in September with Mayor Art Agnos and State Senator Milton Marks.

AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN NEEDED FOR OSTEOPOROSIS STUDY

Bone loss after menopause affects all women and is the leading cause of debilitating fractures in the elderly. The University of California, San Francisco is conducting a one year study in the treatment of African/American women with low bone density.
If you have been in menopause for at least three years, are between the ages of 45-80, ancestry includes at least 3 or four grandparents of Black/African descent, not taking hormones and are of average weight and in generally good health, you may be eligible to partcipate.
Participants receive free examination, blood and urine tests, chest and spine XRays, EKG, a mammogram, and periodic bone density scans. Visits are scheduled every three months, and calcium and study medications are supplied free of charge.
Interested volunteers should call:
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66 Raymond Ave....467-4499...Pat Crocker, Director

## Commercialized Quiz

1. What candy bar gave you "more, more, more of what you pay your nickel for?"
2. Open wide for _____?
3. What product made Bert Lahr think there was "a pussycat in the gas tank?"
4. What toothpaste did Bucky Beaver pitch?
5. What "fills you up, not out?"
6. Teen Angel returned to his favorite haunt about a decade later to pitch what soft drink?
7. Leo, the truck driver, never had indigestion because Crystal served him "the usual" at her truck stop. What was "the usual?"
8. What pet food advertised their newest ingredient by announcing: "Dogs love cheese?"
9. Who rewarded himself with a candybar for lacing his hightop sneakers?
10. Which actor had the audacity to reach into a glass of Alka Seltzer and show the tablets fizzing in his hand to demonstrate how Bromo Seltzer was quicker to prepare?
11. What cigarette "satisfied best?"
12. What substitute ingredient did several French chefs use to produce results of "no dee-fa-runce?"
13. What did the helpful Japanese wife give her Oddjob look-a-like husband to stop him from karate-chopping the surrounding neighborhood into a shambles?
14. What was "more than a camera; it's almost alive; it's only $19.95?"
15. What did Josephine the Plumber pitch?
16. What did Edie Adams want you to pick up and smoke sometime?
17. What cereal had a cartoon tiger announcing: "There's a prize in every package?"
18. What did Mrs. Olsen pitch?
19. How about Mr. Whipple?
20. For that matter, who ran the more cordial competition across the street from Mr. Whipple?
21. Which laundry detergent was billed "Stronger than dirt?"
22. What product was pitched by the line: "Mamma mia thatsa some spicey meatballs?"
23. "Mother, please! I'd rather do it myself!" was a catch line for what product?
24. What were "Squeezy, freezy sacks of frosty, fruity fun?"
25. Who crammed eight plump tomatoes into that little ol' bitty can?
26. You can trust your car to the man who wears what star?
27. What product did British rock band The Yardbirds want you to go to the store and buy?
28. What beer was the "Beer beer drinkers drink?"
29. And what beer claimed to have made Milwaukee famous?
30. Which bread helped build strong bodies twelve ways?
31. And the bread that made you "grow grow grow?"
32. "Aren't you glad you use ____!"
33. What were billed as "The noisiest chips in the world?"
34. Who had a basset hound named Axderod as their mascot?
35. What would the the pirate's parrot fly to the moon for?
36. "I'd walk a mile for a _____!"
37. "Now it's _____, for those who think young!"
38. What coffee did Patricia Neal so convincingly pitch?
39. What pet food was Morris the Cat constantly eating?
40. What breakfast cereal did Mikey like?
41. What was Clara Peller pitching when she bellowed "Where's the beef?"
42. What did Phyllis Diller use in washing Fang's filthy shirts to make them clean?
43. How many bites could the owl take before getting to the center of a Tootsie Pop?
44. What peculiar fellow made house calls to inspect people's furniture with greasy polish buildup?
45. What laundry detergent made your washer "like it's ten feet tall?"
46. What cereal did Jimmy Durante spill into the piano to make it grow while he growled the jingle?
47. What was billed as the soft drink just for girls?
48. What was the first tobacco product to slip through television's cigarette advertising ban before eventually being discontinued?
49. Frank Fontaine provided his voice for a strange looking cartoon cow to pitch what product?
50. Before cyclamates were labeled a probable cause of cancer, Pillsbury had several pre-sweetened flavors using the ingredient in a powdered soft drink mix in competition with Kool-Aid. Can you name the product? How about the flavors? Which two were suddenly changed to appease consumer complaints?

Answers

1. M&M Wafer bar; 2. Chunky; 3. Lays Potato Chips; 4. Ipana toothpaste; 5. Grape Nuts; 6. Seven-up; 7. Sanka coffee; 8. Gainesburgers; 9. Jamie Farr; 10. Harry Guardino; 11. Kent; 12. Blue Bonnet margarine; 13. Vicks Formula 44 cough syrup; 14. Polaroid Swinger; 15. Comet cleanser; 16. a Muriel air-tip cigar; 17. Loma Linda Ruskettes; 18. Folger's Coffee; 19. Charmin bathroom tissue; 20. Mr. Cragmeyer; 21. Ajax; 22. Alka Seltzer; 23. Anacin; 24. Kool Pops; 25. Contadina; 26. Texaco; 27. Great Shakes milkshake mix; 28. Lucky Lager; 29. Schlitz; 30. Wonder; 31. Langendorf; 32. Dial soap; 33. Laura Scudder's Potato Chips; 34. Flying A gasoline; 35. Lorna Doone shortbread cookies; 36. Camel cigarette; 37. Pepsi; 38. Maxim; 39. 9 Lives; 40. Life; 41. Wendy's; 42. Snowy Bleach; 43. three; 44. the wood doctor; 45. Dash; 46. Kellogg's Corn Flakes; 47. Like; 48. Tijuana Smalls miniature cigars; 49. Moo Juice; 50. Funny Face; Goofy Grape, Rootin'-Tootin' Raspberry, Freckle-Faced Strawberry and Loudmouth Lime; Injun Orange and Chinese Cherry were respectively replaced by Jolly-Olly Orange and Choo-Choo Cherry, while Lefty Lemon was thrown in for good measure.

## *Famous Birthdays*

### OCTOBER

1: Julie Andrews (1939); Jean Arthur (1908); Tom Bosley (1927); Jimmy Carter (1924); Richard Harris (1943); Ted Healy (1896); Walter Mathau (1920); George Peppard (1928); Randy Quaid (1950); Omar Sharif (1932); Stella Stevens (1936); James Whitmore (1921)

2: Bud Abbott (1895); Charley Chase (1893); Margaret Dumont (1889); Michael Dunn (1934); Groucho Marx (1890); Spanky McFarland (1928); Rex Reed (1938); Sting (1951); Tiffany (1971)

3: Gertrude Berg (1899); Chubby Checker (1941); Ruth Gordon (1896); Warner Oland (1880); Madelyn Rhue (1934); Dave Winfield (1951); Thomas Wolfe (1900)

4: Rutherford B. Hayes (1822); Clifton Davis (1945); Charlton Heston (1924); Buster Keaton (1896); Patti LaBelle (1944); Susan Sarandon (1946); Lori Saunders (1941)

5: Chester Alan Arthur (1830); Bill Dana (1924); Glynis Johns (1923); Allen Ludden (1918); Steve Miller (1943); Donald Pleasence (1919); Jimmy Ritz (1905); William Tabbert (1921)

6: Britt Ekland (1942); Janet Gaynor (1906); Carole Lombard (1909)

7: June Allyson (1917); Gabriel Dell (1919); Andy Devine (1905); Alfred Drake (1914); John Mellencamp (1951)

8: Rona Barrett (1936); David Carradine (1936); Chevy Chase (1943); Paul Hogan (1939); Jesse Jackson (1943); Bela Lugosi (1882); Sigourney Weaver (1949)

9: Jackson Browne (1950); John Lennon (1940); Joe Pepitone (1940)

10: Helen Hayes (1900); Martina Navratilova (1956); Alan Rachins (1927); David Lee Roth (1955); Tanya Tucker (1958); Ben Vereen (1946)

11: Daryl Hall (1948); Earl Hyman (1926); Ron Liebman (1937); Jerome Robbins (1918); Eleanor Roosevelt (1884); Roy Scheider (1935)

12: Susan Anton (1950); Kirk Cameron (1970); Dick Gregory (1932) Luciano Pavarotti (1935); Adam Rich (1968); Will Rogers Jr. (1912)

13: Lenny Bruce (1925); Laraine Day (1920); Yves Montand (1921); Marie Osmond (1959); Nipsey Russell (1924); Paul Simon (1941); Carrie Snodgress (1938); Margaret Thatcher (1925); Cornel Wilde (1915); Demond Wilson (1946)

14: Harry Anderson (1949); Dwight D. Eisenhower (1890); Lillian Gish (1896); Ralph Lauren (1939); Roger Maris (1928); Roger Moore (1927)

15: Fritz Feld (1900); Linda Lavin (1937); Penny Marshall (1945); Jean Peters (1926)

16: Michael Conrad (1927); Barry Corbin (140); Linda Darnell (1921); Judd Holdren (1915); Angela Lansbury (1925); Tim McCarver (1941); Suzanne Somers (1946); Oscar Wilde (1854)

17: Sam Bottoms (1955); Montgomery Clift (1920); Beverly Garland (1926); Rita Hayworth (1918); Margot Kidder (1948); Evel Knievel (1938); John Marley (1916); Michael McKean (1947); Arthur Miller (1915); Tom Poston (1927); Irene Ryan (1903); George Wendt (1948)

18: Chuck Berry (1926); John Boles (1895); Peter Boyle (1933); Leo G. Carroll (1892); Pam Dawber (1951); Mike Ditka (1939); Jesse Helms (1921); Miriam Hopkins (1902); Joe Morton (1947); George C. Scott (1927); Inger Stevens (1934)

19: Jack Anderson (1922); John Lithgow (1945); Robert Reed (1932); Simon Ward (1941)

20: Dr. Joyce Brothers (1928); Art Buchwald (1925); William Christopher (1932); Arlene Francis (1908); Grandpa Jones (1913); Tom Petty (1953)

21: Carrie Fisher (1956); Dizzy Gillespie (1917); Peter Graves (1911); Joyce Randolph (1925)

22: Constance Bennett (1905); Joan Fontaine (1917); Annette Funicello (1942); Catherine Deneuve (1943); Jeff Goldblum (1952); Derek Jacoby (1938); Timothy Leary (1920); Christopher Lloyd (1938)

23: Johnny Carson (1925); Diana Dors (1931); Hayden Rorke (1910)

24: Kevin Kline (1947); David Nelson (1936); "Weird" Al Yankovic (1959)

25: Billy Barty (1924); Barbara Cook (1927); Anthony Franciosa (1928); Tracy Nelson (1963); Minnie Pearl (1912); Helen Reddy (1942); Julia Roberts (1967); Marion Ross (1928)

26: Primo Carnera (1906); Jackie Coogan (1914); Bob Hoskins (1942); Francois Mitterrand (1916); Pat Sajak (1947); Jaclyn Smith (1948); John Vickers (1926)

27: Jack Carson (1910); John Cleese (1939); Ruby Dee (1924); Leif Erickson (1911); Nanette Fabray (1920); Simon LeBon (1958); Sylvia Plath (1932); Theodore Roosevelt (1858); Teresa Wright (1918)

28: Jane Alexander (1939); Charlie Daniels (1936); Dennis Franz (1944); Telma Hopkins (1948); Jack Soo (1915)

29: Fanny Brice (1891); Richard Dreyfuss (1947); Kate Jackson (1948); Melba Moore (1945); Jack Pearl (1895); Winona Ryder (1971)

30: John Adams (1735); Grace Slick (1939); Harry Hamlin (1951); Louis Malle (1932); Henry Winkler (1945);

31: Barbara Bel Geddes (1922); John Candy (1950); Dale Evans (1912); Lee Grant (1929); Michael Landon (1937); Jane Pauley (1950); Dan Rather (1931)


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# TOTALLY COOL VINE

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## Valley Neighbors Meet Mayor Jordan

*Mayor Frank Jordan took some time from his busy September schedule to stop by Visitacion Valley Community Center and meet with some of the valley's residents.*

## Class Lets Cat Owners Share Their Pet Problems

Attention cat owners! Does your sweet, innocent kitty ever:

*Use your bed, rugs and carpets, laundry basket or other places for a litterbox?

*Prefer to use your curtains, furniture or you for a scratcbing outlet?

*Tap you on the sboulder or purr in your face at 3 a.m. for food or a play session?

*Do nightly "down the hall and up every wall" maratbons?

*Show aggresive behavior toward you or the new cat you brought home?

*Have any new or establisbed behavior problems?

San Francisco SPCA's Cat Behavior Class is an entertaining forum where professional feline behaviorist Kate Gamble helps pet owners understand wbat causes kitty behavior problems and how tabbies can be retrained. In addition to offering verbal advice, the class includes plenty of show and tell, and a question and answer session addressing the specific concerns of perplexed people and the cats who own them.

Classes are held the thirs Saturday of every month from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the San Francisco SPCA, 2500 16th St. Seating is limited and reservations are a must. A $10 donation, or $5 if you've adopted a cat from the SF/SPCA since 1991 is requested to benefit the organization. Call 665-5559 to register.

## Ready for Work Ends Second Successful Month

*Participants scrutinize listings during inter-agency workshop with Mimi Kuo of CAA.*

Ready For Work ended its second successful session last month. Since the program started in April of 1993 at Visitacion Valley Community Center, 28 participants from Middle and High Schools in the Visitacion Valley and Hunters Point Area, successfully completed the program taking with them, excellent job prepardiness skills, more knowledge of the "work world" and a more focused outlook on a possible futurecareer. Nine hardworking and very deserving participants received internships. (See list below) These nine along witbother participants will also take advantage of the Mentorship aspect of the program. During the month of October, **Sadie White, Program Counselor** at Visitacion Valley Community Center will be conducting open enrollment and assessment. Any youth ages 14-17 who are interested or for more information Call Sadie at **(415) 467-6400**

### Ready for Work Internship Recipents and Their Interests

*Nestor Cruz, Art, Acadmey of Art College

*Quatasha Harris, Pediatrics RN, St. Francis Hospital

* Nathaniel Lee, Communications, Dentention Diversion Advocacy Project (DDAP)

* Maritza Marshall, Corporate Lawyer, Bay Area Urban League

* Jose Morales, Undecided, Employment Develpoment Dept.

* Maria Morales, Medical Field, St. Francis Hospital

* Roxana Morales, Medical Field, St. Francis Hospital

* Eric Robinson, Accounting\Computers, Computers & You (Computer Lab @ Glide Memorial Church)

* Yesenia Zepeda, Business, DDAP

*Nathaniel Lee served a summer internship with DAAP.*

*Center volunteers lent their artistic talents to a number of projects and activities in their recent visits to Visitacion Valley Community Center.*

## "Week of Caring" Finds 100 Volunteers From Ten Businesses Helping Out at VVCC

Community Center members were surprised and happy to welcome more than 100 volunteers from 10 different companies during the week of September 13th. Referred through the Volunteer Center of San Francisco, the volunteers were part of the United Way's campaign kickoff "Week of Caring". These people were intrepid, nice, fun and creative in their contributions to VVCC, which ranged from playing football in the yard with the boys (and retrieving the ball from the roof), to getting beaten by the senior citizen "card sharks", to cleaning boxes and boxes of vegetables and fruit for distribution, to creating indian sand paintings and cleaning out the Art Classes cupboards, to childcare, to working on the Visitacion Valley GRAPEVINE. Everyone had a good time, and the visitors went home with a real sense of the many wonderful people and the wide variety of needs in our community.

Volunteers came to VVCC from Ernst & Young Accounting Firm, McKesson Corporation, Chevron, Federal Reserve Bank of S. F., Wells Fargo Bank, American President Companies, IBM, the IRS, the United Way Helpline, and First Interstate Bank. Visitacion Valley Community Center wishes to thank all of these companies and all of tbeir wonderful employees who came to us starting witb September 11th and kept coming rigbt through September 21, 1993. THANKS ALL!

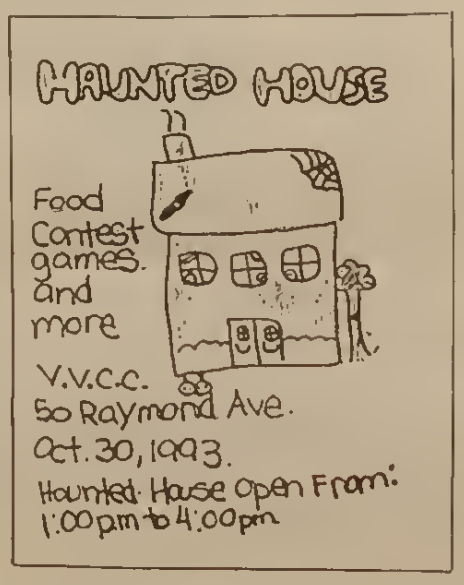
HEY KIDS ! WHAT TIME IS IT ?

## HALLOWEEN!

*A number of the members of Visitacion Valley organizations are working together on a number of projects this year, and while getting together, some of us have talked and decided we'd like to do other things together, such as the following:*

Halloween is at the end of October, and we want to bave a big collaborative Halloween Haunted House Party in the gym at Visitacion Valley Community Center on Saturday, October 30, 1993 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

So, get ready for the big screech! Get your best costume out, or come to the various Arts & Crafts Classes at Geneva Towers, The Boys & Girls Club at Sunnydale, Herz Playground, VVCC Saturday Classes, etc., to learn bow to make masks and costumes for the Costume contest. Practise up on your scariest "Raps" for the Halloween Rap Contest. We won't say mucb about the Haunted House, because that'd spoil the surprise, but we think it will be a blast.



## Massacre in the Name of Wildlife Management

*By Dot Hayes*

Earlier this year in the white wilderness of Canada's Yukon Territory, deep silence was broken by a thunderous roar from a low-flying helicopter. A family of wolves on the snow below panicked and began to run as the helicopter flew low over them. They ran to the point of exhaustion.

In such a merciless foray, wolves often die befoe bullets hit them. But in this instance, the Yukon Department of Fish and Wildlife killed 70 Aishihik wolves in the name of wildlife management. The animals were accused of reducing the area's caribou and moose herds by bundreds.

With horror scenes such as this, wolves continue to emerge as the continent's most poignant symbol of our beleaguered wildlife. Government-sanctioned killings continuing another ten years may eventually wipe out the wolves.

An outraged public recently stopped similar carnage in neighboring Alaska. Both areas, holding a majority of the last wolf habitat in North America, are of like minds - getting rid of wolves will produce more "game" animals, adding to the profits of outfitters known tied to the government.

No emergency existed to force the killing of the wolves, said Gordon C. Haber, an independent wildlife scientist for 28 years who recently completed a study of "Wolf Regulation of Ungulates in the Aishihik Area."

"Excessive hunting and bear predation caused the decline in herd numbers and not wolves," he explained. "The wolf is very insignificant based on recent studies in Alaska."

When moose herds declined witb liberal hunting policies in the 1980s, government should then have enforced a moratorium on moose hunting. Wolves and other predators turned to caribou when moose herd numbers dropped, said Haber.

A moratorium on caribou hunting was enacted from 1990 through 1992. Caribou populations had ranged from 1,200 to 1,500 ten years earlier, but fell to 780 in 1991. Their numbers did not rise during the moratorium as wolves became the government's prime prey.

"It doesn't make sense," remarked Haber. "Bear predation is very significant; they are much more significant as predators than the wolves. It is possible that the density-dependent bear predation, by itself, could regulate caribou and moose densities to low levels."

When helicopter-borne Yukon wolf biologists flew in for the kill earlier this year, they could only find 70 of the 150 wolves marked for destruction, because the population had dropped from the 200 wolves surveyed the year before, explained Dennis Senger of the Yukon's Department of Renewable Resources. Plans originally called for their number being reduced by 75 percent, leaving 50 wolves for an area as large as New Jersey.

Nature may also be regulating the wolf's population as food supplies drop, added Senger.

Haber thinks the drop in number is "suspicious," believing the animals are being poisoned.

But while the government and others are killing wolves, migrating packs are moving into the prime area yearly. Will the government have to return and kill at least 50 wolves each trip to keep their numbers down?

Bill Hipwell of Ottawa had organized Friends of the Wolves (FoW) after reading the government's announcement to kill the Aishihik wolves just three weeks before the brutal killings. FoW, with the support of Friends of Aminals and other agencies, planned to intervene with parachute jumpers, but were thwarted when their chartered plane reservation was canceled. Forced at the last minute to rent an expensive helicopter with a picky pilot and only two passenger seats, a decision was made to videotape the atrocity for the world to see when FoW learned it couldn't be stopped.

But upon arriving at the base camp, Hipwell found only an empty government helicopter and no action - the slaughter had already taken place.

Nevertheless, FoW's flight arroused the public and added to their publicity campaign - over 200 stories were published. A Canadian watch dog group

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## Wolf Protection Project is Launched in Alaska

*By Betsy Swart*

A coalition of animal protection and wolf conservation groups - Friends of Animals, the Alaska Wildlife Alliance and Wolf Haven International - announced the beginning of a major wolf-prey research project in Alaska.

Conducted by wildlife scientist Gordon Haber, its aim is to provide accurate informaiton about animal populations in areas where Alaska wants to undertake wolf and bear control. The study will provide essential independent information about areas where wolf control was proposed for the last two years.

Research covers three major areas of interior and south-central Alaska, including the upper Tanana-Fortymile area, as well as two major non-wolf control areas: the eastern half of Denali National Park and Yukon-Charley Rivers National Preserve.

Aerial surveys were conducted last April in all the study areas, and will total 400 hours when the project is completed at the end of next March.

According to Friends of Animals President Priscilla Feral, the project's basic objective is providing as much current information as possible about wolf and prey populations in the study areas.

"We strongly suspect that there is much more to the biological side of the Alaska wolf control issue than wolf control advocates are telling the public," said Feral. "With the results of this study, we hope to contribute substantially to the quality of the ongoing debate concerning wolf control and related wildlife management decisions in Alaska."

In addition to assessing the need for wolf control, Haber will be collecting basic information on the ecology and behavior of wolves, moose, caribou and other species in the study areas. To facilitate the wolf observations, Haber has asked the state and National Park Service for the radio frequencies of approximately 35 wolf packs recently collared in and near the study areas. Radio collared wolf packs can be readily located, even without snow tracking, by using a receiver from a circling, low-flying plane.

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## School Lunches and How They Rate

## Past of Babysitters Could Be Reviewed By Law

New legislation providing parents with a way to check out a babysitter's past has recently been sent to Governor Wilson for approval.

If signed into law, the measure would implement Trustline, a state registry parent's can use to check the backgrounds of license-exempt child care providers where names and fingerprints of those agreeing to be checked are compared against the state's criminal history system and child abuse index. Individuals who pass the background are then listed in the Trustline Registry.

Parents of children abused by license-exempt child-care providers in their homes co-sponsored the bill because the babysitters were later providing care to other unknowing parents.

"There may be no way to stop first-time abuse, but there is no reason to replicate the trauma for another family," said Mary Beth Phillips, whose 6-month old daughter Elizabeth was blinded by a nanny.

## La Creea at VV Library

Join the festivities and check out new paperback books and tapes at the Visitacion Valley Reading Center, 45 Leland Ave., Wednesday, October 27 at 3:30 pm.m where local 15-year-old recording rap artist La Creea will perform at a celebration of the library's expanded teen collection.

### COFFMAN POOL SCHEDULE

Reopened September 19, the pool is now scheduled until June 18, 1994 until further notice at the following times:

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday
8:15 - 11:45 a.m. school swimming only
Noon - 2:00 p.m. ..... lap swimming
2:15 - 3:15 p.m. recreational swimming

Tuesday/Thursday/Friday
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.....lap swimming

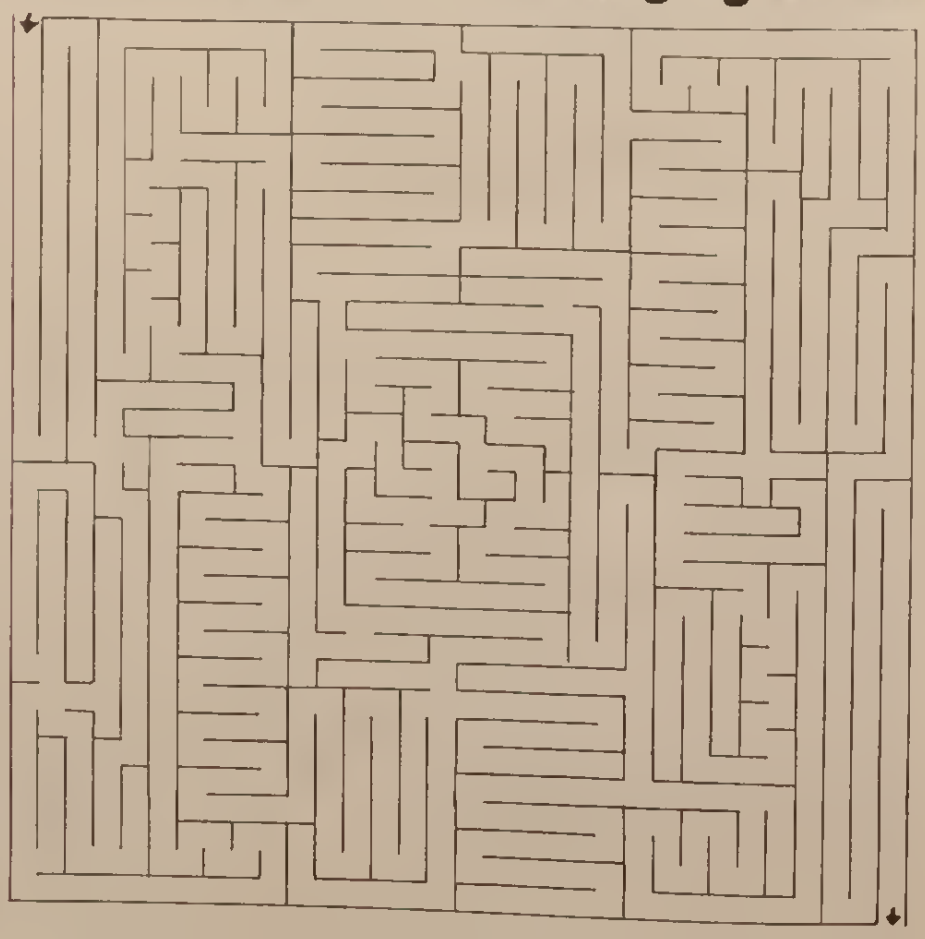
Wednesday
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.....children's lessons

Saturday
9:15 - 10:45 a.m.....lap swimming
11 - Noon..... adult lessons
1:30 - 2:30 p.m..... beg. children lessons
2:15 - 2:45 p.m..... Inter. children lessons
3:00 - 4:15 p.m.....recreational swimming
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.....lap swimming

Handicap chair lift is available on request. Pool closes from Noon - 3 p.m. on the last Friday of every month for staff meeting.

Located at Visitacion Ave. and Hahn St., call 337-4702 for further information.

## Len's Somewhat Challenging Maze



## October Golden Gate National Recreation Area Events

OCTOBER 2
Baker Beach
*Seacoast Defense: Explore the military history of Battery Chamberlain and participate in a demonstration of the last six-inch disappearing rifle from 12:30 to 1 p.m. Meet the ranger at the gate to Battery Chamberlain at Baker Beach.

Presidio
*Presidio Cemetery Walk: San Francisco National Cemetery is the final resting place of many famous and interesting people: pre-Civl War soldiers, a Union spy, an Indian scout, and 34 Medal of Honor recipients. Tour from 10 to 11:30 p.m., weather permitting. Meet the walk leader at the entrance gate along Lincoln Blvd., near the Presidio NCO Club. Reservations required (556-0865).

*Main Post Historical Walk: Join a walking tour of the Presidio covering more than 200 years of San Francisco history from 10 a.m. to noon, meeting at the Presidio Main Post flagpole. Reservations required (556-0865).

*Crissy Army Airfield Historical Walk: Learn about the history of Crissy Field and early Army Air Corps and military aviation pioneers from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Meet Wyman Spalding, a pilot stationed at Crissy Field for five years. Dress warmly and meet in the parking area adjacent to the parachute shop near the west end of Crissy Field. Reservations required (556-0865).

OCTOBER 3
Presidio
*Presidio Main Post Historical Walk (See October 2)

OCTOBER 9
Fort Point
*Defending the Southern Flank: Learn the duties of a cannoneer in a Civil War seacoast fort, and watch as a detachment conducts the drill for a 24-pounder flank howitzer from 2:30 to 3:15 p.m. by meeting the soldiers in historic uniforms on the parade ground inside Fort Point.

Presidio
*Main Post Historical Walk (See October 2)

OCTOBER 10
Fort Point
*Bullets, Buckets, Brass and a Banquette - Guard Duty at Fort Point: Join a soldier for a look at the guard room, guard duty and the Springfield rifle-musket of a soldier at Fort point during the Civil War from 1 to 1:30 p.m. in the guard room just inside the fort.

Marin Headlands
*World War II Barracks Open House: Visit the only restored World War II barracks in the West. Learn about a soldier's life and view historical vehicles and army equipment from noon to 4 p.m. by meeting Mark Cresci at Building 1059, Fort Cronkhite, across from the Fire Station.

Presidio
*Presidio Architecture and Cultural Landscape: Examine historcal buildings and landscape on the Presidio weather permitting from 1 to 3 p.m. by meeting a ranger at the flagpole in front of the Officers Club at the Main Post.

OCTOBER 13
Cliff House Visitor Center
*Seals and Sea Lions: Learn about the seals and sea lions of the San Francisco Bay and Headlands from 7 to 8 p.m. at this slide presentation. Meet at the Cliff House Visitor Center. Reservations required (556-8371).

OCTOBER 16
Presidio
*Mountain Lake to Fort Point Hike: A three-mile hike through various natural habitats and historical spots between the Richmond District and the Golden Gate Bridge from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Meet Presidio docent Bob Halsey weather permitting at Mountain Lake Park. Return by Muni 28 bus. Reservations required (556-0865).

*Park Patrol - 1895: Meet "Lietenant Larry Gill" inspecting his gear before leaving to patrol Yosemite National Park in the year 1895. Find out about daily cavalry life on the Presidio and in the mountains from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Meet the cavalry trooper on the lawn outside the Presidio Army Museum.

Sutro Baths
Tour of the Ruins: Take a walking tour of the ruins of Sutro Baths from 11 a.m. to noon. Built by Adolph Sutro, the baths were once the recreational hot spot for San Franciscans. Meet the ranger outside the entrance to Louis' Restaurant.

OCTOBER 17
Lands End
*Rocks, Faults and Earthquakes: Enjoy a moderate 2-mile hike along the Coastal Trail and discover interesting facts about the geology of the San Francisco Headlands from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Bring a lunch and enjoy great views from Eagles Point by meeting the ranger at the San Francisco Memorial parking lot (north of 48th and Point Lobos Aves.). Reservations required (556-8371).

Presidio
*Old Presidio Walk: Learn about Alta California and the wildlife, native Americans, exploration and settlement of the early Presidio from 10 a.m. to noon by meeting the walk leader in front of the Officers' Club on the Main Post. Reservation required (556-0865).

*Costal Defense Hike: A scenic three-mile hike from the Golden Gate Bridge to Baker Beach. Explore remnants of historic coastal defense batteries0 from the 1870s through World War II weather permitting from 2 to 4 p.m. by dressing warmly and meeting a park ranger at the Battery East parking lot above Fort Point along Lincoln Blvd. (one block east of the Golden Gate Bridge). Reservations required (556-0865).

OCTOBER 31
Baker Beach
*Ooo! Ick! Abh! Boil, Boil, Toil and Trouble: Gather 'round the campfire and listen to a tale or two about a few of California's maligned creatures. Bring marshmallows and wear warm sweaters from 7 to 8 p.m. by meeting a ranger at the far end of Battery Chamberlain at Baker Beach. Reservations required (556-8371).

## Explore the Treasures Of Alcatraz

Join ranger-led programs, use self-guiding brochures and take an audio tour of the cellhouse to explore the historic island of Alcatraz. A variety of programs are offered daily on a rotating schedule including:

*Fortress Alcatraz: Explore the island's rich military tradition and learn about the 19th century's most heavily fortified West Coast fort.

*Alcatraz is Indianland: Find out why the Native American movement of the early 1970s came to Alcatraz for an 18-month-long demonstration.

*Hollywood's Alcatraz: Myths and realities are explored as Ranger Raquel Lopez sorts through the facts and fiction found in Hollywood's portrayal of Alcatraz.

*The Natural Side of the Rock: Join a ranger to explore a unique island ecosystem where natural and cultural history meet in the middle of San Francisco Bay.

*United States Penitentiary, Alcatraz: Delve into the truth about a penitentiary whose name speaks for itself.

*Escapes!: Find out if anyone ever did escape from Alcatraz by exploring the military and federal penitentiary history.

*The Battle of '46: Examine in-depth the 1946 escape attempt that left three inmates dead after a three-day siege.

Daily ferry service operates from Pier 41 at Fisherman's Wharf. Call 546-2700 for the current boat schedule. Ask at the dock ranger station which of the following programs are offered that day.

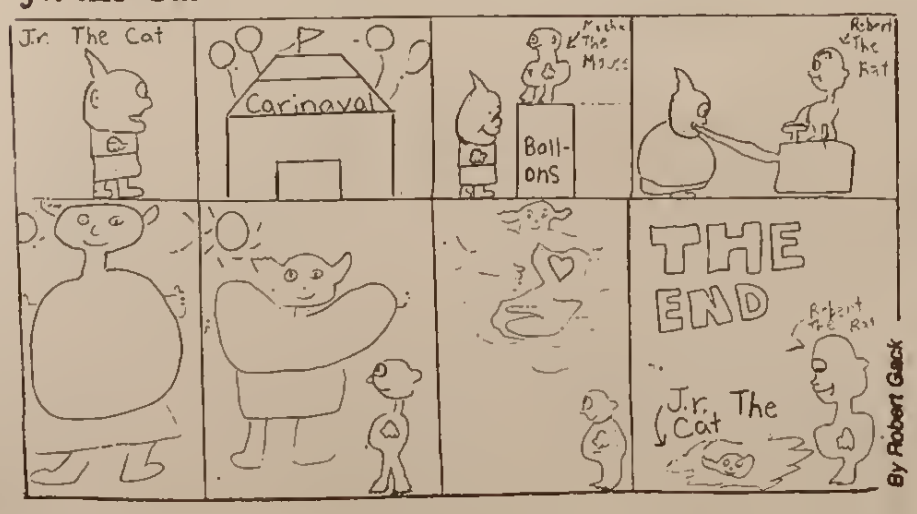
## Spookified Antics

## Visit the Bay Area Discovery Museum

A hands-on, interactive museum where children and their families can touch, explore, play and discover the world together, the Bay Area Discovery Museum is open Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is located at East Fort Baker. Admission is $4 per person. Call 332-7674 for information.

Wee Wednesdays and Frolicking Fridays are special age-appropriate activities in the museum's art room with movement and movement in the Tot Spot occuring simultaneously. Young minds can wander at will between both activities in these events for preschoolers and their parents on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Admission is $2 for one adult and up to two children.

## Jr. the Cat

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### COW PALACE

Situated prominantly at the base of San Bruno Mountain, the spacious interior of the Cow Palace has been a showplace of many memorable events for more than 50 years. Ground breaking began November 3, 1935 a mere half-block south of the City's border with the county of San Mateo, with construction of the new 12,000 seat arena to be operated by the State of California. Completed nearly six years later, the large showplace was dedicated the Livestock Pavilion on November 15, 1941, prior to the Saturday night opening of the first Grand National Livestock Exposition, Horse Show and Rodeo.

Participating in the dedication ceremonies were California Governor Culbert Olson, San Francisco Mayor Angelo Rossi and San Mateo County Supervisor Fred Beer. An estimated 40,000 people attended the Livestock Pavilion that weekend, with more than 28,000 attending the two Sunday shows. About 6,000 people were unable to gain admittance to the exciting Saturday show, which featured calf roping, bareback bronco riding, steer wrestling, bull riding, and the talents of cowboy movie star Ken Maynard performing in a spectacular riding and shooting act.

Two thousand eager spectators were able to buy standing-room tickets, watching the festive proceedings from the pavilion's congested aisles. So enthralled were the following day's performances that hundreds of first-show ticket buyers immidiately purchased tickets for the second 7:30 p.m. show.

Rodeo enthusiasts were most interested in witnessing rival cowboy Homer Pettigrew compete against Fritz Truan for the 1941 world championship, sharing the bill with such bucking broncos as "Starlight," "Brown Bomber" and "Country Gravy." Another huge attraction was a huge red brahma bull named "Sonora Red."

As days progressed, both urban and rural spectators enjoyed entertaining shows featuring 2,163 heads of the finest horses, cattle, sheep and swine gathered together from 11 states under the roof of what was then the largest livestock arena in the world. Reserved seating sold at $1.10 and $1.65, with $2.20 for box seats and 55 cents for general admission and some children's sets sold for a quarter.

Described by local critics as "the best crowd puller since the Treasure Island days," the Grand National Livestock Exposition became an annual event after World War II, which saw the suddenly needed auditorium and surrounding grounds temporarily taken over by the U.S. government at one dollar a year.

An array of nostalgic photos today adorn the hallways of the Cow Palace, officially dubbed its name several years after its opening after being casually described as such in a news report, illustrating highlights of the arena's many exciting events.

President Dwight D. Eisenhower and Vice President Richard Nixon were unanimously renominated by the Republican National Convention there on August 22, 1956 as the party gave both nominees all 1,323 of its votes. Less than a decade later on July 15, 1964, GOP delegates nominated Arizona Senator Barry Goldwater there as the candidate who would run unsuccessfully that November against Democratic incumbent President Lyndon B. Johnson.

On August 19, 1964, 16,000 pop music fans braved a frantic 29-minute Cow Palace concert as the Beatles opened their first U.S. tour.

No sports enthusiast will ever forget the nights of May 20 and 23, 1975 when the surprising Golden State Warriors, bumped by other scheduled events from their home court at the Oakland Colliseum Arena, returned to their former stomping grounds to defeat the heavily favored Washington Bullets 92-91 and 109-101 to take games two and three of the NBA finals enroute to a four game sweep to become the basketball league's champions.

Ice hockey teams having regularly played at the Cow Palace included the minor league San Francisco Seals and Shamrocks, and most recently the NHL expansion San Jose Sharks.

Other popular events, some still regularly scheduled, include the Ringling Brothers Barnum and Baily Circus; concerts by major musical stars including Elvis Presley, the Rolling Stones, Neil Diamond, Paul McCartney, Liberace and Frank Sinatra; the Ice Capades; professional boxing exhibitions and the ever-popular World Wrestling Federation matches.


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## Wolf Massacre

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was also established by the organization to snap into action next year. It plans to purchase and pilot its own plane.

Then again, maybe there won't be a next time. Gun-slinging government officials mercilessly killing defenseless wolves is not an endearing image. Controversy prompted a wolf-kill poll by a Yukon newspaper, the Whitehorse Star, with results showing 60 percent approving the killings, with 39 percent were against it. However, many of those who approved didn't want another aerial hunt.

Government now plans to raise caribou numbers to an unprecedented 2,500 with no scientific proof the area can feed that many animals; 1,500 was the highest number ever recorded, according to Hipwell.

"The leader of the Yukon government, John Ostasbek, and the minister of renewable resources, Bill Brewster, are both former hunting outfitters, with strong links to the trophy-hunting industry," said Hipwell. Money, he explained, is the main motivator, for when caribou populations drop, so do profits for outfitters.

Hipwell and others hope a travel boycott can prompt the Yukon government to change their wolf-killing ways.

"It took only 38 percent of the popular vote to elect the current adminstration," he pointed out. "The government is in a precarious position. They're not too popular right now."

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## FILES OF R. U. BLAME PRIVATE EYE

By Frank Waturi

**After opending an unplanned night in Lintville at a ground floor room of Grungy's Boardinghouse while searching for clues to the possible dissappearance of fisherman Joe Bulango, Detecive Blame and assistant Gus Goner were about to have breakfast with Mrs. Grungy and some of her guests at a large table in the dining area when the tall, burley man who had swung a machete at the private investigator's head the previous night suddenly entered the room. Noticing his missed target in attendance, the man quickly exited, running through the building's front entrance with both Blame and Goner in hot pursuit, eluding his pursuers once outside.**

### LOOKOUT BELOW!

"Which way did he go, Gus?" yelled Blame to his assistant as both men continued running down a dirt road while twi ting their heads in all directions.

"I haven't the foggiest!" answered Gus, whose arms flailed wildly as he began to pant heavily with the sudden vigorus exercise. "Wait a minute! Stop running a second, Roscoe! Listen!"

Both men halted in their tracks to listen intently for suspicious sounds disclosing the hidden location of their nemesis. After several excruciating seconds, their patience was rewarded as loose gravel and dirt under running boots produced a small noticeable cloud of dust along the road on the hill above them.

"Aha!" exclaimed Blame as he pointed to the suddenly visible dark-clothed figure continuing to scamper away.

"Hey you, stop!" yelled Gus to the man. "We wanna talk to you!"

"Talk to him? Yeah, right!" remarked Blame. "I wanna beat his brains out! But let's get the car first!"

Blame and Gus quickly sprinted over to their old blue Plymouth parked less than 100 feet away and still damp from the chilly night before.

"You drive, Gus!" instructed Blame as both men quickly hopped into the car and began wiping the thick frost from inside the windshield.

"Cha-va-va-va-va-va-va, cha-va-va-va-va-va-va!" churned the car's engine as Gus pulled on the starter and both men gritted their teeth in anticipation of the motor starting quickly.

"She's a little bit cold this morning, Roscoe," commented a nervous Gus as he continued to hold the starter and the Plymouth continued to churn.

"That guy's gonna be half way to Timbuktu by the time we get going!" replied Blame as he quickly reached towards the car's dashboard for another knob. Pushing it back and forth, he instructed, "Choke the darn thing, 'else we'll never get out of here."

Seconds later when the car's engine finally turned over with an ear piercing backfire, Gus quickly made a haphazard u-turn to began negotiating the trecherous unpaved road leading out of Lintville. Each snake-like bend of the narrow passage caused the vehicle's back tires to spin wildly in the loose dirt, leaving a less-than-secure feeling of traction. But persistence eventually achieved results as the pair soon had their perpetrator in focus.

"There he is, Gus! Faster! Faster!" yelled Blame as the Plymouth got to within 100 feet of the running man, who suddenly turned and darted up a narrow foot path to their right.

"Look out for that big rock!" screamed Blame as he pointed to a large boulder thast suddenly rolled from the trail, landing squarely in the roadway in front of them.

Gus guided their vehicle sharply to the left to avoid striking the obstruction and into a small, unfenced turnout above what appeared to be a substantial drop.

"Stop!" yelled Blame as Gus quickly stepped on the brake causing the car to veer wildly to the left into a dust flying skid as it aimed for the unprotected edge. Both detective and assistant held their breaths in anticipation of a possibly long downward journey as the Plymouth blew two tires before finally coming to a halt about two inches from the side.

Looking carefully over his shoulder to avoid upsetting the car's weight distribution, Gus stared down from the top of a long, narrow cliff, fixating his eyes at the wreckage of a previous motorist's unsuccessful attempt in utilizing the turnout. Still breathing heavily, Blame turned to his wide-eyed driver with a half-smile of relief on his face commented, "Well, I guess you had better get out on my side, partner!"

Smalls bits of gravel and dirt trickled with an eerie echo in the small canyon beyond the turnout while both men carefully alighted the listing vehicle. Noticing the car's two right-side flat tires as he paused to brush excess dust from his overcoat, Blame instinctively asked his assistant, "Say, did we ever get the spare tire fixed?"

"You always seem to ask that right after we get a flat tire," answered Gus as he walked a half circle and back to each end of the dangerously parked Plymouth, inspecting it for any other inflicted damage.

"Well...?" again asked the detective as he extended both hands upward in gesture of catching an answer.

"Flat as a pancake!" replied Gus as he half-heartedly smiled in frustration while motioning his hand horizontally to describe the useless chunk of rubber resting in the trunk.

Both men then noticed the sound of sqeaking brakes emanating from a short distance on the winding road above them as an old jeep made its way around several curves and screeched to a halt at the boulder, which had become partially imbedded in the road. From behind its wheel hopped a small, thin, unshaven man with one big black eyebrow running across his forehead, dressed entirely in black with a black stocking cap. Hopping quickly to the front of his vehicle, he initially lunged forward in an attempt to roll the large rock out of his way before noticing Blame and Gus walking towards him.

"Hey, you two guys wanna helpa me rolla thees theeng from da road?" asked the motorist with a thick foreign accent as the three men strategically positioned themselves behind the boulder to began pushing as a team. "One-an'-a-two-an'-a-three!!!" counted the man in numeric instruction as their combined strength proved adequate in rolling the obstruction to the cliff and over the edge, culminating in an uneven rhythm of tumbles and crashes as the stone banged its way downward through bushes and trees to its final resting place below.

"You know you guys should no parka your car right there if you no wanna go veesit da rock," suggested the man as he smiled wildly and extended his hand in introduction. "I am Benito E. Duffo!"

"Hi, I'm Roscoe Blame and this is my assistant Gus Goner and..." began the detective as he vigorously shook the the man's hand before Gus exclaimed, "Say, Roscoe! You said this is the guy we were looking for at that Sea Captain tavern last night. Hey, why were we looking for him?"

"Er, ah, excuse our informalities," replied Blame to Duffo. "We almost didn't make it around the corner when that boulder rolled out of nowhere and came tumbling down in front of our car. We sort of blew out a couple of tires in negotiating to a halt and were wondering..."

"Ah, sure, plenty a tires in da town," replied Duffo as he shook both their hands. "I drive you down an' you go see Frank, huh? He got plenty a' tires. He fix you up!"

"Boy, did you come along at the right time!" remarked Blame as the three men hopped into Duffo's jeep, which resumed its slow journey down the narrow, winding dirt road. "Somebody I knew a few years ago mentioned suggested your name to me as an expert on..."

"Knives!" answered Duffo as he gritted his teeth with an evil look in his eyes. "I like-a dem sharpa theengs. You come-a by my place sometime an' I show you my colleshun."

"Well you know," continued Blame, "we have this machete that...hey, stop a second! It's back in our car under the seat!"

Duffo stopped his vehicle and slowly backed it up the road to the stranded Plymouth, where Gus quickly hopped out and unlocked the car to retrieve the sharp weapon.

"Wait until you check this thing out!" remarked the smiling Blame to a curious Duffo as they continued talking for about half-a-minute before the detective turned to yell, "Well, come on, Gus! Hurry up! It's only one machete, you know!"

Confused and empty-handed, Gus stuck his head through the open door and added, "And it's also gone!"

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## Valley Improvement Group To Meet Again in October

Visitacion Valley's Improvement Association has scheduled a follow-up to its September meeting on October 22 at 66 Raymond Ave. In addition to recent group discussions and communications with City Hall for the betterment of the valley, members have been in the process of selecting a new president to succeed retiring association leader Henry Schindel.

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## They Were San Franciscans

### WILLIAM DAVIS

San Francisco was just a tiny hamlet named Yerba Buena when William H. Davis Jr. first sailed into the bay aboard a merchant ship in 1833, but its natural rolling hills and pictuesque landscape had already made an impression on the 11-year-old native Hawaiian. Born in Honolulu in 1822 to a shipin family, he travelled with two more West Coast trading expeditions before finally staying for good in 1838, gaining employment in his uncle Nathan Spear's mercantile business established two years earlier to compete with William Richardson's store.

Soon managing the company, Davis eventually acquired his uncle's business in 1846, married the heiress daughter of a wealthy Spanish family the following year, and as a member of the local Town Council was instrumental in helping his community establish its first public school on April 3, 1848, in a building also serving Yerba Buena as a town hall, courthouse and jail.

Beginning construction in 1849 of San Francisco's second brick building at the corner of Montgomery and California Sts., the four-story structure was leased to to the U.S. Government for $36,000 a year as a customs house when finally finished in 1851, but was destroyed only four months after completion by a disasterous fire. A business partner's poor decisions further depleting his hard-earned wealth and a bout with bad health forced Davis into ranching on his in-law's land.

Evntually compiling his pioneering experiences into an interesting 1889 book titled "Sixty Years in California," the once prosperous San Francisco businessman eventually returned to live in the bustling metopolis he had seen grow from a handful of rustic shacks. Davis St. in the City's Downtown area was already named for him when he died on April 19, 1909, at the age of 87.

## See Ya' in the Funnypapers
### - Jokes from a Bygone Era

His first evening in a penitentiary, a new inmate heard numbers being called aloud from different cells, followed time and time again by bursts of laughter. He asked the reason for the unusual behavior the following day and learned that because every inmate knew by heart all the jokes in the prison joke book, a mere calling of page numbers where jokes appeared was as good as telling the joke itself. As a matter of courtesy, the new inmate was presented with a complimentary book.

Having read several of the jokes and selecting a few he thought really good, he anxiously called a page number that evening and waited for a response. But their was no laughter. Somewhat perplexed, he shouted another joke's page number, responded only by silence. Puzzled by two more failed attempts, he closed the book in frustration and retired for the night.

Questioning another inmate the following day about his numbers' lack of response, the predicament was explained quite frankly, "Well friend, some can tell a joke and some can't!"

SUMP, THE GRUMP By JACKIE HOLDER

## THIS MONTH In San Francisco HISTORY

Oct.1: In 1858, the Daily Evening Telegram was established by W. H. Mantz and Co., publishing daily except Sunday, and charging its readers one bit (12-1/2 cents) per week. In 1964, the City's three remaining cable car lines were declared a national landmark.

Oct.2: In 1859, the cornerstone was laid for historic St. Francis Church on Vallejo St. in North Beach.

Oct. 5: In 1875, the new Palace Hotel on Market St. opened for the first time. In 1963, the Hyde Street Pier, once a major point of commuter embarkment on ferryboats to northern counties, was opened as a State Historical Park.

Oct. 6: In 1935, eight trackless trolleys built by the J. G. Brill Co. of Philadelphia were put into service on the 33 Golden Gate Park line of the Market Street Railway, the first of many electric busses in the City. In 1940, San Francisco's Zoological Gardens first opened.

Oct. 8: In 1855, the San Francisco Daily Evening Bulletin was established by C. O. Gerberding and Co., with James King of William as its editor. It was published daily except Sunday for 37 cents per week. King died seven months later in a famous duel with Sunday Times editor James Casey. In 1860, a new telegraph line was completed and opened between San Francisco and Los Angeles. In 1865, a jolting earthquake loosened bricks and broke cornices from City buildings. In 1933, Coit Tower, built at the peak of Telegraph Hill with funds bequeathed the City from the estate of fire enthusiast Lillie H. Coit was formally dedicated.

Oct. 9: In 1776, Mission Dolores was founded.

Oct. 12: In 1933, Alcatraz was converted from a military prison to a federal penitentiary. In 1963, the bottom deck of the Bay Bridge, formerly used for large trucks and the Key System trains, was reopened with five eastbound traffic lanes.

Oct. 15: In 1853, a telegraph line began transmitting messages between San Francisco and San Jose. In 1863, the San Francisco and San Jose Railroad began operation. Also that day, the very first Cliff House opened.

Oct. 16: In 1971, McLaren Park Amphitheatre was formally dedicated.

Oct. 17: In 1904, the Bank of Italy, later to be renamed the Bank of America, was established by A. P. Giannini. In 1989, an earthquake measuring 7.1 on the Richter scale shook the Bay Area, the strongest jolt since 1906.

Oct. 19: In 1968, toll on the Golden Gate Bridge was doubled to 50 cents and collected only from southbound traffic.

Oct. 20: In 1929, the first vehicular traffic rolled down the newly opened Bayshore Highway.

Oct. 21: In 1868, a strong earthquake shook the City at 7:53 a.m.

Oct. 23: In 1853, the original St. Francis Hotel, a five story structure at the corner of Clay and Dupont (now Grant Ave.) Sts. was completely destroyed by fire.

Oct. 25: In 1909, the Visitacion Valley streetcar route opened as a one track line with turnouts, operating from Geneva and Mission to the Six Mile House at what is now the corner of Bayshore Blvd. and Sunnydale Ave. In 1913, the cornerstone of San Francisco City Hall in the Civic Center was laid.

Oct. 26: In 1920, the Ocean Shore Railroad, never very profitable due to light patronage during its 14 years of existence, ran its last train.

## Mayors of San Francisco

### ADOLPH SUTRO

San Francisco's well-known 19th century mayor was certainly far more popular as a private citizen than he ever was in public office. Adolph H. Sutro never really intended to be the City's 24th mayor, but felt obliged nonetheless to bend towards political persuation in the mid-1890s.

Born in Aachen, Prussia (now Germany) on April 29, 1830, Sutro came from a dignified family and was well educated in his youth, especially in the field of mine engineering. He came to the United States with some of his family and eventually sailed westward to California in 1850 by way of the isthmus of Panama where he settled and soon married in San Francisco.

After a few minor stints in the mercantile business, the young entrepreneur eventually put his extensive education to work in 1859 by establishing his Sutro Metallurgical Works, a small milling operation at East Dayton, Nevada. His most noted contribution to the silver Comstock Lode was building the Sutro Tunnel, a perpindicular bore through a number of mining shafts which when opened on October, 19, 1869, provided enough air ventilation and drainage of excess water in the underground passageways around Virginia City to allow a maximum amount of silver mining.

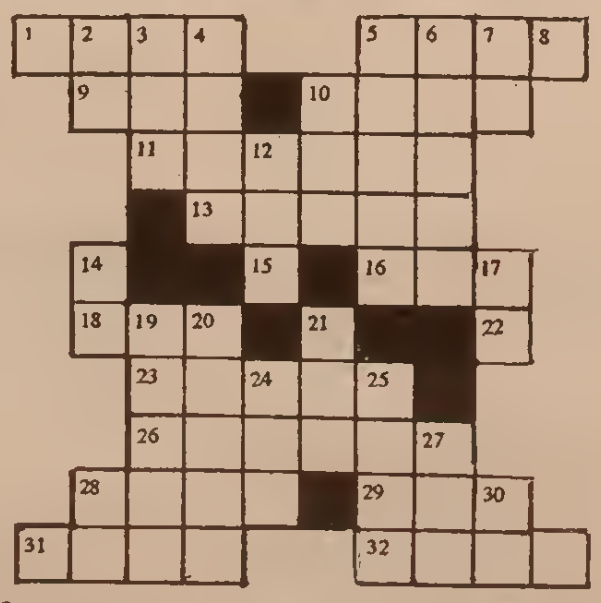
After Sutro sold his portion of the tunnel a decade later for a $5 million profit, he returned to San Francisco a very rich man. Always the speculator, he soon purchased more than 1000 acres of virtually unused land around Golden Gate Park and bought the existing Cliff House. Along with nearby construction of his world famous baths and a unique little railroad to get people there, Sutro built an elaborate home overlooking the ocean, planted scores of imported eucalyptus trees and assembled a large collection of books acquired from cities around the world. When the Cliff House was gutted by fire in 1894, its extravagant owner rebuilt the previously modest structure as an elaborate French chateau.

Convinced to run for mayor by the independent Populist party, Sutro's civic popularity won him enough votes to defeat incumbent Mayor Levi Ellert and take office on January 7, 1895 as he delivered a moving inaugural address calling for honesty in government, elimination of boss rule, and efficient public schools with sound physical fitness programs.

But with the good intentions came his long, ongoing battle with the railroad barons of Southern Pacific, whose interests had strong political influence in the City. Sutro's health also soon began to deteriorate, and it was with a sigh of relief that he handed the responsibilities of City Hall to new Mayor James Phelan in January, 1897. He died just 19 months later on August 8, 1898 at the age of 68.

Besides the ruins of his Sutro Baths, San Francisco remembers one of its greatest citizens with Sutro Heights, its street and park overlooking the Cliff House, and Mount Sutro with its ever-present broadcasting tower.

## Grapevine Crossword



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5. Mature
9. Age
10. Canvas Shelter
11. Tempt
13. Object
15. 14th letter
16. Rent-to-own (ab)
18. Mineral
22. 11th letter
23. Calamities
26. Stumble
28. Transfer
29. Operate
31. Remedy
32. Outdo

DOWN
2. Regarding (ab)
3. Is (plural)
4. Group
5. Appear again
6. Sluggish
7. W.W.II boat
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10. Tiny ___
12. Years in decade
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| 10<br>1:00pm VVCC Bingo | 11<br>*Columbus Day (Observed)*<br>*Columbus Day (Observed)* | 12<br>4:30pm Sunnydale Tenants Association<br>7:00pm El Dorado Neighborhood Betterment Council | 13<br>6:00pm Executive Park Advisory Committee-open to all | 14 | 15<br>● NM<br>8:00pm Valley Baptist Youth Groups | 16 |
| 17<br>1:00pm VVCC Bingo | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22<br>● FQ<br>3:00pm Visitacion Valley Improvement Club<br>8:00pm Valley Baptist Youth Groups | 23<br>*Chung Yeung Festival*<br>9:30am VVCC Board Meeting |
| 24<br>1:00pm VVCC Bingo | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28<br>USDA Surplus Food Distribution Day at VVCC | 29<br>8:00pm Valley Baptist Youth Groups | 30<br>○ FM<br>1:00pm VVCC all-Valley Halloween Party |
| 31<br>Daylight Savings<br>Halloween<br>Daylight Savings<br>Halloween<br>1:00pm VVCC Bingo | | | | | | |

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**POSITION: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Young Community Developers, Inc. is eagerly seeking candidates for the position of executive director who have a minimum five years of qualified experience in administration, financing, supervision, recruitment, volunteer utilization, research skills, program planning, implementation and grant/proposal writing; knowledge of non-profits and government agencies essential; sensitivity to minorities/women needs as relate to job training and employment placement required; ability to communicate effectively in speaking and written form essential. Salary negotiable. Position closes October 8, 1993. Resumes to: Ms. Shirley Jones, Young Community Developers, Inc., 1715 Yosemite Ave., San Francisco, CA 94124.

If you wish to submit an article, pictures or other material for publication in the Grapevine, please get it in by the 20th of the month prior to issue date.

REGULAR MEETINGS OF CITY COMMISSIONS & BOARDS

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| Airports Commission | 1st & 3rd Tuesday | 3:00PM |
| Arts Commission | 1st Monday | 3:00PM |
| Board of Education | 2nd & 4th Tuesday | 7:00PM |
| Board of Supervisors | each Monday | 2:00PM |
| Commission on Aging | 1st Wednesday | 9:30AM |
| Comm - Status of Women | 4th Thursday | 4:00PM |
| Health Commission | 1st & 3rd Tuesday | 3:00PM |
| Housing Authority Comm | 2nd & 4th Thursday | 4:00PM |
| Human Rights Comm | 1st & 3rd Thursday | 4:30PM |
| Library Commission | 1st Tuesday | 4:30PM |
| Planning Commission | each Thursday | 1:30PM |
| Police Commission | each Wednesday | 5:30PM |
| Port Commission | 1st Tues & 3rd Wed | 4:30PM |
| Public Utilities Comm | 2nd & 4th Tuesday | 2:00PM |
| Recreation & Parks | 3rd Thursday | 2:00PM |
| Social Services Comm | 4th Thursday | 9:30AM |

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## PECULIAR DOINGS

*Slovenly habits apparently aren't grounds for a marriage annulment, according to a state appeals court in California where a Santa Ana woman wanted to end her 20 month partnership with a spouse who refused to bathe. Overturning a lower court decision, the husband, accused by his wife of becoming a different person after their wedding, was eventually granted a divorce.

*Up in Sacramento, a bicycle thief was captured only two blocks from the scene of the crime by police notified to the theft of a fellow patrolman's bike.

*State Assembly members also voted unanimously to make it a misdemeanor to tape pornography onto videos before returning them to stores, punishable by six months in jail and a $1,000 fine.

*After earlier being denied a dance permit, witches attending the 1993 Parliment of the World's Reliigns in Chicago were allowed by the local park district to dance under the full moon in the city's Grant Park.

*Dozens of Colorado residents suddenly received one cent checks in the mail when a health care insurance company there installed new computer software without programming the previous command to send claims for review: $00.01.

*Over in Madrid, 25,000 Spainiards recently participated in the annual Tomatina, the world's largest tomato fight, where our truckloads of the fruit weighing 264,000 pounds were hurled at a town square.

*In Nanjing, China, a restaurant named after the Chairman Mao was ordered to change its name by the local government which claimed the commercialism of the late leader was a detriment to the spirit of history.

*Against odds experts figured at a billion to one, a Bristol, England gambler's number, a black four, came up the winner at a roulette table a record-breaking seven times in a row.

*Receiving the equivalent of $320 in prize money, a Czech Republic bus driver not known as a drinker drank 20 pints of brew to win a beer drinking contest in a small town near Prague.

*An Israeli phone company announced its opening of a second fax line for the increased messages and prayers people have been sending addressed exclusively to God.

*Scientists from the French Institute for Health and Medical Research speaking at a meeting of medical specialists in Nice announced that a meal of fish, vegetables, a sprinkle of olive oil, bread, fruit and a glass of wine ould greatly reduce heart ailments.

*Passersby where shocked to see the marquee above New York's Circle in the Square theater come crashing to the street, nearly missing a pedestrian, when a steel beam above its front entrance weakened.

*Students in a Findlay, Ohio high school have been grousing about the new principal's rule banning hats in classrooms, along with printed language or graphics pertaining to alcohol and tobacco.

*In Northboro, Masachusetts, a 70-year-old man was arrested for growing marijuana in his greenhouse, telling authorities he had hoped to make enough money to pay thousands of dollars owed in back property taxes.

*Six Philippine bank robbers recently grabbed more than $14,000 from a Manila bank by telling a security guard not to interfere with the hold-up scene they were filming for a new movie.

*Despite having its broadcasting signal jammed since inception in March, 1990, TV Marti, aimed at delivering quality programming to Cuba, is still being funded by U.S. taxpayers to the tune of $12 million a year. Radio Marti gets its unjammed signal in to Cuban listeners 24 hours a day.

*Speaking of Cuba, the communist-ruled island nation Fidel Castro has had such a grip on these past 34 years, its government has now authorized limited private ownership of more than 100 trades and services.


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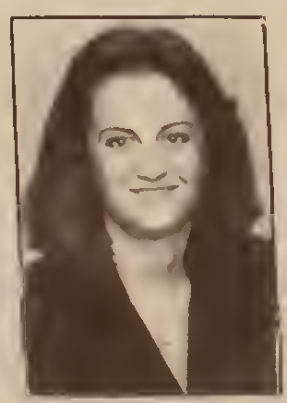

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